Single Admission 25c

CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP

SOMETHING TO WORRY ABOUT

Mrs. Henry Ontrop, five miles northeast

girl. Their names are Cantus Henry

45 YEARS OLD

PLEDGE OF THE GERMAN EM-PEROR, IN 1871

"To aid at all times the Empire's growth; not by the conquests of the sword, but by the good gifts of peace in national Prosperity, Freedom and Culture."

hopes and ambitions. The pact that united the many German states into the

near Paris, then in the state of siege, when Bismark brought together the vic-

PERSONAL

f her mother, Mrs. F. S. Collins, East lyingston street, Superintendent of Schools J. W. Pogue

Triplets were born Saturday to Mr. and

the byway, and just remember THE DEMOCRAT is the home paper of Mercer County.

And Gutter Petition ?resented By Fulton St. Residents

BOND ISSUE FOR WATER - WORKS EXTENSION REFERRED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday night with all members present. until late in May if necessary, says Prof.

Wendell Paddock of the Horticultural De-Kelley Bros., the well known drillers of Council met in regular session last meeting. Towards the close of the session partment, Ohio State University. Even this city, on a lease of a new company

Chairman Belersdorfer of the Sewer committee stated that the motor at the disposal plant had been put into operation, but that the pump was not raising the amount of sewage it should.

The mayor and clerk were authorized to enter into a contract with Frank W. Miller to sprinkle streets the coming sea-Minus Fast complained of water con-

ditions near his home in the northwest instructor to Mercer county to give leaded of town. The matter was left with sons on Stock Judging and Pig Growing. during the week of April 10 to 14, His subthe street committee for investigation. An ordance declaring it necessary to is-

the street committee for investigation.

An ordance declaring it necessary to issue bends in the sum of \$25,000 to enlarge and improve the water works plant and extend water lines was read. On a motion to place the ordinance on a second reading a tie vote was recorded and Mayor Scranton tabled the matter by voting no. He then referred the ordinance to the finance committee for further investigation.

Bonds of J. F. Greek and John Mohr, of this city, and the Jasperson Supply Co., of St. Marys, as plumbers to license them tapping the new anitary sewer system were read and accepted. Council did not take very anxiously to accepting the bond of Jasperson, but after statements that they only intended doing work for the Mersman Breat-Brandts Co. which they had already undertaken the bond was accepted.

A communication was read from the State Industrial commission relative to necessary changes in the opera-house if council intended to use it for a motion picture show house.

The council didn't seem very unanimous on the proposition to lease the opera-house for such a purpose and despite favorable comment on the subject by Mayor Scranton, who very strongly favors the project, ho action was taken.

A communication was taken.

There is one sturdy ploneer citizen of St. Marrys who seems to hold his own in burke county made up and wanted the case dismised. They went hand in hand to the Judge and told him that they had kissed and made up and wanted the case dismised. They went hand in hand to the Judge and told him that they had kissed and made up and wanted the case dismised. Yery well But along comes the lawyer in the proceedings. Addressing the wise, learned and fair-minded Court, he informed that paragon of jurisprudence that his fee wasn't paid and humbly asked that the decrees of dismissal be suspended and a little whether they would have gone forward and caused the legal separation of the pair. With some Courts, yes! But the fee was paid, and therefore the speculation will continue indensitely.—Falkner in Cincinnati Enquirer.

HURRAH OR BRUNO

There is one sturdy ploneer citizen of Si. Marrys who seems to hold his own in pite of his advanced years and the hard-ships which encompass the pathway of mortal life. Reference is had to D. Arms in Darke county made to the Judge and told him that they had kissed and made up and wanted the case dismised. Yery well But along comes the lawyer in the proceedings. Addressing the wise, learned and fair-minded Court, he informed that paragon of jurisprudence that his fee wasn't paid and humbly asked that the decrees of dismissal be suspended and a little when the proceedings and the proceedings and the proceedings and the proceedings and the Judge and told him that they had kissed and made up and wanted the case dismined the stroke, which affected his right sless and to D. Arms and the oldest living native born citizen of this municipality and the oldest living native bursiness. He had be able to move his arm. He has been showly recovering and it is believed will fully regain his strength. Rev. Lience of the M. E. church, of this city, was a clerk in the oldest living native bursiness. Such has believed will fully regain his strength. See the provided will fully regain his strength. Beet the cov

Betzel kept spilling the Brown's beans, His double in the second scored Cruise and himself when Pratt threw Sisler's brilliant relay wild to Hartley's head. Betgrounder to the deep field over second in the fifth, and the crowd roared when he stuck out his glove and held Clemon's burning low liner in the eighth inning. Two doubles and two runs attest that Betzel was some good at the bat and on the bags.—St. Louis Globe Democrat's correspondent on Cardinal-Brown game played on the 26th. zel made a dandy throw on Layan's

The Cardinais won the game 4 to 1. Betzel secured two runs and two two-baggers out of three times at but. He also got two put-outs and four assists, errorless.

The Globe-Democrat featured him in three separate headlines and pictured him attempting to steal home in the sixth in-

COMPILING INFORMATION FOR NEW DIRECTORY

The Wilmer Atkinson Company of Philadelphia, Pa., publishers of the Farm Journal, are at present engaged in compiling information for a new directroy of Mercer county. This directory, when completed, should fill a long felt want as there is no complete directory of this county on the market. The price is so reasonable that every family in the county can own a copy. Trained men are at present covering the county taking the information for it.

for it.

W. S. Taylor, the county manager, has opened an office in the Odd Fellow Temple and will be glad to talk to anyone in regard to the directory. He is a hustling young man and well sequainted with the work which is being undertaken.

CELINA HAD BETER WAKE UP

Three of the principal streets of Cold-

Three of the principal streets of Coldwater — Market, Sycamore and First streets will in all probability be paved the coming summer. Petitions for the paving of these improvements have been alled with the village council and referred to the stret committee.

The abutting property owners are almost unanimous in the move to have the streets paved. Every owner on Sycamore street signed the petition, all but two on First street signed and only six refused to come across on Market.

How about the Logan street road, in Celina, Ohio, U. S. A. ?

J. L. Wills, of Montesuma, who had announced a sale of his household goods for April 6, has called off the sale. Last Tuesday he purchased the John Moore property in that village and expects to do some real estate business in and around Montesuma.

Raphael Bernard, the nine year old son of Mrs. Elizabeth Bernard, of Coldwater, broke his left leg just above the ankle last Monday noon. He was attempting to catch a chicken which had escaped from a coup. The foul flew onto a bundle of wire and the lad in attempting to reach the chicken slipped and the bundle of wire rolled onto his leg. The following letter was received this yeek from Weber & Miller, Center, Ind. Route 1:

We were lucky during the electrical storm which missed us about 15 miles. It done considerable damage in several counties. We like our new home. So please send us The Weckly Democrat, then we can read home news again.

An exchange that seems to know says: It is said that 1,000 gallons of castor oil destined to Germany via Holland falled to get through. It is very seldom that castor oil fails to make its journey when once it starts on its way.

The last number of the Neptune Lecture course will be held April 1, 1915 at the township hall, Dr. G. W. Ray, being the lecturer.

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A CONFESSION :

I am the greatest criminal in history. I have killed more men than have fallen i all the wars of the world. I have made millions of homes unhap-

ow, know me.
I live the consent of the Christian

I am ALCOHOL, —Ohio Penitentiary News.

NOT TOO LATE TO PRUNE FRUIT

Pruning of fruit trees may be continued

SCHOOL BOYS

OF MERCER COUNTY TO BE IN-

STRUCTED ON STOCK JUDGING

AND HOG GROWING, 10-14.

The Ohio State University will send an

jects on Stock Judging will be draft liorses, beef cattle and lard hogs. Places and dates have been arranged

afternoon.
Ft. Recovery, April 13, forenoon.
St. Henry, April 13, afternoon.
St. Henry, April 14, forenoon.
Coldwater, April 14, forenoon.
We hope to see every school boy take advantage of these lessens. The University and the fair board are at quite an expense hoping that by this method the boys and girls will leave our schools, much better prepared to meet the present and ruture conditions of the times.
W. A. HAMILTON.

FORMER CELINA GIRL IN HAT

A design for black satior hat of milan straw trimmed wth a band of black and

white polka dot ribbon and a porcupine

of this city and well known here.

COLDWATER LAD BREAKS LEG

Dr. E. Baldwin, of the Grant hospital, Columbus, was called here Tuesday to look after the condition of Mrs. Wm. Fron, who is very ill. Dr. Baldwin re-lently operated on Mrs. Cron. Nurse diss Myrtle Loughridge was placed in tharge of the case Wednesday morning.

Use Hanford's Balsam for all flesh

I have transformed ambitious youths in-blopeless parasites. I destroy the weak and weaken the Timke the wise man a fool and trampe the fool into his folly. The abandoned wife knows me; the parents, hose child has bowed their heads in sorw, know me. Ultre Me. the contract of the parents, hose child has bowed their heads in sorw.

SAID TO BE GOOD FOR 30 OR 40 BAR-RELS-IF IT REACHES EXPECTA-TIONS, OTHERS GO DOWN

The oil well on the John Pax farm, two Mayor Scrunton arrived and took the after the leaves begin to show, remove of local business men, known as the Ce-A petition was presented by residents of East Fulton street, asking to have a cement curb and gutter placed on the street from Main east to Cory Avenue in Elim Home addition. The petition was accepted and referred to the street comand made a good showing of all. The well was shot at 12:10 hast Saturday ason. The well lies between the old and new channels of Beaver, a half mile west of Coldwater road, and because of the well condition of the ground the company has been unable to get their oil tank and pipe likes on to the lease to begin pumping, and consequently it is hard to say what the new well will develop, but the drillers feel it is good for 30 or 40 barrels.

If the hole yields any returns at all after being pumped a while, the company will drill several more wells on the lease.

BERT AN OLD HAND AT THE

s follows: Cellent, April 10, afternoon. Neptune, April 11, forenoon. Mendon, April 12, forenoon. Washington township H. S., April 12,

heir meeting last Tuseday afternoon, is

is follows:

Brower Musical Entertainers.
For first Sunday—Chicago Quartette
ind Father Collins.
Chicago Operatic Company.
Dixie Jubilee Singers.
Stanley Krebs.
Swiss Alpine Yoddlers.
P. Marion Simus.
White Hussers Band.

White Hussars Band. Cap's Orchestra. William Spurgeon. English Opera Company.

white poiks dot ribbon and a porcupine quil pompor is featured by the Chicago Hersid on its fashion page today, in connection with the hat contest announced in the Sunday edition. The design is by Mrs. K. C. Iverson, of this city, and the seventh design to be published by the paper. Of the designs submitted, one will be chosen as the most artistic, and the designer will be given a hat made in accordance with her instructions—Elkhart, (Ind.) Truth. PASTOR STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS Mrs. Iverson, mentioned above as the

designer of one of the hats featured in Rev. Eisnagle, pastor of the M. E. the Chicago Herald contest was formerly surch at Coldwater, sustained a stroke of paralysis at the close of services at his Miss Pearl Fanger, at one time a resident church last Sunday morning. Carl Plum-

education are thinking of selecting their corps of teachers for 1916-17. An enormous responsibility rests in this one act and members of boards of education should look well to their duties and vote for the good of posterity. The best teaching talent obtainable is none too Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Heckler are the paraents of a baby girl born on the 22nd.

The ladles of the Lutheran clurch will hold a market at the Laudain & Mesary or grocery to emorrow (Saturday).

A Joint rectlal will be giren by the Central announcements in The Democratic Were among the candidates to make of the land of the common of the candidates to make of the land of the common of the candidates to make of the common of the candidates. B. G. Gilberg, Dr. Ralph Schlenker and Romeo Deitsch, Wednesday afternoon and evening. A substantial six o'cleck dinner was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Schlesser, former residents of this city, have moved from Coldwater to Figua, where the former of the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for a number of years conducted a met market at Coldwater.

For the benefit of the church the Ladding of the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the benefit of the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the benefit of the church the Ladding of bread pleaseness will be absided the common reliable to the profession state the confinence of the church will give abside sale at Deltsch's grocery to-more for the benefit of the church the Ladding the district meeting of the Ladding the district meeting of the Worner's Foreign Missionary Society, and the principle speaker at the same bayes at the local furniture factory, has sale the principle speaker at the assembly was the principle speaker at the same bayes at the good,-no fault of the teacher in many instances however-and a few dollars Frank Gross, for several years an employee at the local furniture factory, has gone to Shelby, where he has accepted a position with a furniture factory in that city. He last week sold his residence property, on West Anthony street to Rudolph Simon, who will move into it, just as soon as Mr. Gross can get moved out. The Jefferson township Board of Edu-

ation met in the township room last Friday evening, with County Superintendent Cotterman, District Superintendent Pogue and the following board members present: Springer, Wolfe, Lincoln, Dock and Slus-

Springer, Wolfe, Lincoln, Dock and Susser.

It was decided to pay all the teachers
\$55 per month, excepting Albert Mallek,
who is to receive \$50.

The following teachers were hired for
the ensuing school term of 1916 and 1917:
Albert Mallek—District No. 1.
Golds Enyart—District No. 5.
Emma Karr—District No. 6.
Ralph Jordan—District No. 7.
Edna Kerns—District No. 7.
Edna Kerns—District No. 10.
William Freeman was hired for District No. 5 providing they have school.

TAKES THE SORENESS OUT For bruises and reducing inflamation Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh is unequali-ed. It first takes the soreness out and then heals.

WASHINGTON TP. LECTURE COURSE The fourth number of the Washington township heture course will be Wm. O. Winkler. He is a character artist and a

Winkier. He is a character artist and a locturer.

Mr. Winkier enters in to a sympathetic understanding with the characters he portrays in a wonderful way and for the time he is the character he represents.

Mr. Winkier is an artist all the time, lits work does not savor of the cheap stage, but always is subtle and refined. He is a young man of marked shifty and will please any audience before which he appears. His program is rare in its beauty and power and is without an exception the best of its kind.

Come and spend a pleasant as well as profitable evening with him at Washington to High school, Wednesday evening. April 5th.

GUESSER FOSTER

urbance will reach the Pacific coast on thout March 31 slope by close of April 1. R. Bert Morrison, East Fulton street, divil engineer and road contractor, left with us last Monday a photograph, taken ast Saturday at the shooting of the oil well on the John Fax farm, two miles but well on the John Fax farm, two miles outh west of town. Burt was formerly in the photograph husiness in Blackcrock ownship, and learned the art of snaping he wells as they were being shot during the big oil boom near Chuttanooga, a number of years ago. He secured an existent picture of the shot on the Pax arm tral valleys 5, Eastern sections 7. This PREPARE PROGRAM
FOR CHAUTAUQUA

A part of the program given out by the Chautauqua company which they decided to purchased for the coming year, at their meeting last Tureday alternoon, is

MADE THEM THINK OF CYCLONE BACK IN 1886

the night of May 14, 1886, nearly thirty ears ago ,that like the one of Tuesday ight narrowly missed the c'ty of Portpictely demolished by the hurricans, and of the territory northeast of Portland swept by the Tuesday night storm was duranged by the cyclone of thirty years gao.—Portland, Ind. Sun.

ON TPRIL 7 FOR FORTY-TWO STATE ROAD CONTRACTS, INVOLVING MILLION AND HALF

State Highway Commissioner Cowan vill open bids April 7 on 42 state road oniracts, contemplating the construction f more than 94 miles of various types of oads in 30 counties of Ohio, at an estit lettings in the history of the highway lepartment.

Commissioner Cowan says that the size
of this contract letting and its early date
attests the interest and co-operation of
the counties of the state in highway construction.

expect to let contracts at close in

TELEPHONE CASE UNDER ADVISE-

The Case of the Celina & Mercer county Telephone Co. vs. The Union-Center Telephone Co., an action to enjoin the n Mendon and Union and Center townin Mendon and Union and Center township, which has been in progress before Commo Pleas Judge Layton for almost two weeks was concluded Wednesday afternoon, the final arguments being finished about haif past two o'clock. Sixty-five witnesses were heard. The court took the case under advisement.

ARBOR AND BIRD DAY BOOK INTERESTING

A publication put forth at this season of he year of very great interest Is the Ohio Arbor and Bird Day Annual, for 1916 a Superintendent S. Cotterman to every

tencher in Mercer county.

Most fascinating are the contents, compiled this year by Anna S. Winters together with Frank W. Miller and J. L. Clifton, former Superintendents of Public Instruction, the latter a few years ago auperintendent of the Mendon schools.
One poem, Dorothy Perkins' is a reminder that this prolific rose should be planted and used to adorn every rural school in Mercer county, because pink tinted Dorothy riotously grows and blossoms whether or not you give her constant care and companionship.
Then the story of Mercer county's first patron saint, Johany Appleseed,' is retained to convert every Olio boy and girl into bird and flower lovers, and tree worship pers as we all should be, for were not the groves God's first temples?
But the Annual is in the hands of the teachers and ties presumed that every progressive teacher in old Mercer, wherein grow so many grand trees, lovely shrubs and native vines in every woodland hant, is enough of disciple of Pan to use the Annuals to whet the interest and curiosity of every boy and girl in nature's output.

ILL AT INFIRMARY WITH DIPTH-

ILL AT INFIRMARY WITH DIPTH-

Mary Shaller, a young girl whose home was formerly near Tamah, is ill with diptheria a the County Infirmary. Matron Mrs Andrew Schunck went to Lima last Saturday and took the child from the Children's Home there, bringing her to this city, with the intention of transferring her to the Delaware home. The tot took sek Monday morning, and Wednesday a serious case of diptheria developed. She has been placed in strict quarantine and all due precautions are being taken at the Institution to prevent the spread of the disease. Mr. and Mrs. Schunck's three children—Mary. Magdalema and Bernadins—who are attending school in this city, were not exposed and they are staying in town during the quarantine.

Lays Heavy Hand on Many **Well Known Families**

EX-COMMISSIONER ISAAC KISER IS SUDDENLY CALLED-ANTHONY SCHUERMAN AMONG LIST

Veteran horseman, John Stillbarger and on, last week disposed of four Percheron mares, two of them yearling, coming wo year olds; one two year-old, coming here, and one three-year-old, coming our, to a foreign horse buyer for the nist am of \$1450. John mays they were worth hore than that, but he had no need of been. Looks like it pays to raise good or the pays to raise good or the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the gripe of the pays to raise good of the pays the pays to raise good of the pa died at four o'clock yseterday morning at his home on West Livingston street, fol-

Deceased was born in Center township. lune 5, 1843, where he lived until he noved to this city after assuming the ofce of County Commissioiner in 1909,

He was married to Jennie Welch, December 3, 1871 and she with their fiv GERMAN EMPIRE hildren, as follows, survive: Mrs. Ev Snavelty, of Center township, Mrs. Myrtle Stanberry, of Struthers, Ohio; Mrs. Kintz Roebuck, of this city; Elza, at home, and Mrs. Bonnie Dick, of Lima. home, and Mrs. Bonnie Dick, of Lima.

Deceased was an active Democrat and
hefore serving two terms as Commissioner was township trustee for affect
years, a member of the township school
beard for eighteen years, and for six years
was a member of the Board of Inirmary
Directors Mr. Riser held the second
deed ever recorded for the Riser farm in
Center township. The first deed for the
land was granted his maternal grandisther Eli Yost, and bears the signature of
President Martin Van Buren, dised in the odent Martin Van Buren, dated in the 1897. rear 1897.

He was a member of the Celina I. O. O. P. lodge, who will have charge of the foneral.

Funreal services will be held Sunday, but the place and definite hour had not been fixed last night.

MRS. EMMA DEITRICH, AGED 64 Mrs. Emma Deitrich, aged 64 years, died at her home on Hoyng street, Citizens addition, at 8 o'clock hast Saturday night, owing a lingering lilness of cancer of e stomach.
Deceased was born at Mercer in 1852.
76 she was united in marriage to Chars Deitrich, who preceded her in death
year ago. They moved to this city seval years ago. She is survived by one
on, Glenn, an employe of the furniture
control.

Many Portland and Jay county residents the older ones especially on Wednesday morning recalled, vividly, the cyclone of the state of May 14 1886 nearly thirty consists.

MRS. WILLIAM J, HOEL, AGED 66

Mrs. William J. Hoel, aged 66 years, led at her home, just west of this city. last Saturday morning following a lingering illness.

Doceased was born in York County, Pennsylvania, Decembre 28, 1849. She was united in marriage to William J. Hole in October, 1868.

She is survived by her husband, two sons and two daughters. Sixteen grandchildren, two sisters and a brother also survive.

BERNICE MAURER, AGED 17

Bernice, age seventeen, daughter of Mr. nd Mrs. J. B. Maurer, of Mendon, died at 11 o'clock last Friday night at the nome of her parents, following a week's illness of scarlet fever. Besides her parents, one brother and one slater survive Funeral services were held at the Maurer home last Sunday morning.

HENRY DOWNHOWER, AGED 78 Henry Downhower, aged 78 years, reiding on the Neptune pike a mile and a quarter northeast of this city, died at his home at eight o'clock Wednesday even-

Deceased was born in Perry County, this state, in October, 1838. He came to this county from Argus, Ind., four years use and purchased part of the old Ship-ey farm, near the Jefferson and Center waship line. He was twice married and is survived

MRS. OTTO SOMMERS, AGED 45 Mrs. Henrietta Sommers died Sunday night, having suffered for the past sev-eral months with cancer. The deceased latter from operating a telephone plant was born at Peru, Ind., July 16, 1879, and was a daughter of Joseph and Lucy Mowwas a daughter of Joseph and Lucy Mowbray. In 1892 she was married to Otto Sommers and for the next two years they lived at Peru. In 1894 they moved to this place where they have since resided. At the time of her death Mrs. Sommers was aged to years, 6 months adn 16 days. She leaves the husband, four children, George, Lucy, Marie and Robert; her mother and one sister, Mrs.I. E. Binkert, of Peru. She was a member of the Altar Society of the Catholic church at this place and was a member of the C. K. of A. auxiliary.

nd was a humble.

The funeral services were held at the Catholic church, Wednesday morning.—
Ft. Recovery Tribune-Journal, ANTHONY SCHUERMAN, AGED 52 Anthony Schuerman, aged 52 years, one

opy of which has been supplied by Coun- of the well known business men of St. Henry, died very suddenly at half past

this place. Will of Muncle and Joe, of Tipton, and one daughter, Susan, at home. Her husband preceded her in death about nine years ago. Funeral services and burial took place at Rose Hill, Wednesday.—Ft. Recovery Tribune-Journal. JOHN NOLAN

John Nolan, an aged and retired farmr, who made his home with Chas. Kiser and family, one mile west of Skeels X and family, one mile west of Skeels X Roads, died Wednesday night having been failing in health for some time.

The deceased was wel lknown here as he lived for several years one and one-half miles south of town. The remains will be brought here Friday for burial in the Pisgah cemetery.—Ft. Recovery Tribune-Journal.

LECTURE AT NEPTUNE **AFTER** The last number of the Neptune Lecture Course will be a lecture by Dr. G. W. Ray, Saturday night, April 1, 1916, at the Neptune Hall. Dr. Ray is called "The Livingstone of S. A." as he spent 15 yrsexploring unknown parts of that country. While on one of these exploring trips he discovered a band of indians never before visited by white men. In his lecture he will tell of his experience while with them.

for Survey of Another Road If you want to make sure of healthful surroundings for your family this sum-mer, you should clean Up and Paint Up the place throughly before warm weather arrives. Read about the necessity of do-ing so, in this issue of The Democrat. SALARIES FOR ASSESSERS FIXED-BIG BUNCH OF BIDS ON SEVEN-

State Highway Commission

TEEN BRIDGES Owing to the unfavorable weather con-

litions the hearing on the Fisher joint ditch, between Mercer and Auglaise countown. The youngsters are healthy m. The Board last week granted the Helhildren and consist of two boys and a

by road, petitioned for by W. Heckman et al., in Recovery township, and fixed rederick, Martha Ida Marie and Philip April 3 at 1 p. m. as the time for hearsylvester Frances. Their weights were ing of objections to the assessments, spectively 514, 5 and 414 pounds. Mrs. They also provided that assessments may

ontrop was formerly Miss Sopala Weigel, be paid in cash until April 7 at 1 p. m.

Fit. Tribune-Journal. The Commissioners of Mercer and The Commissioners of Mercer and of Darks counties met in joint session last week on the Everman joint road improvement. After viewing the proposed improvement the joint board, because of a equest appended to said petition speciing "home gravel or no pike," dismiss-

fying "home gravel or no pike," dismissed the petition.

The Board requested the State Highway Commission to cause survey, plansete, to be made on part of Inter-county highway No. 262, (The Ft. Recovery and willshire pike) over the following route; Seginning at the county line between Van Wert and Mercer counties; thence south following said inter-county highway across Blackcreek township to the Liberty township line and there termaisee a distance of about 5½ miles.

The Board ordered that the per diem salaries of the assessors be fixed at \$4 for the time actually employed.

The Board determined the route and ordered the improvements of the Siebert and Fast roads, both in Hopewell township.

It is just forty-five years ago that the and Fast roads, both in Hopewell towaship.
Quite a bunch of bids were received
last Friday on the seventeen bridges offered by the commissioners. The bids
received and awards made are as follows:
Kuhl bridge to J. H. Gels. Bids-Fifer
& Hilleary, \$250.20; August Kothman, \$290;
Andy Weigle \$258; Earl Preston, \$247.50;
Harry Hight \$258.50; J. E. Ward \$244.92;
J. H. Gels \$244.00.
Highley to Harry L. Hight. Bids-Harry Hight \$479.80; Earl Preston \$392; Andy
Weigle \$371.51. resent German Empire was formed. The cene of its birth was cieverly arranged Hismark as the culmination of his cililicary, \$250.20; August Kothman, \$290; Andy Weigle \$255. Earl Preston, \$247.50; Harry Hight \$255.50; J. E. Ward \$244.20; J. H. Gels \$244.00. Highley to Harry L. Hight. Bids—Harry Flight \$378.80; Earl Preston \$392; Andy Weigle \$371: J. A. Ward \$393.25; Fiter & Hilleary \$374.81. Dine to Earl Preston. Bids—Wolf Bros. 5489; Fiter & Hilleary \$374.81. Dine to Earl Preston. Bids—Wolf Bros. 5489; Fiter & Hilleary \$454.20; J. A. Ward \$483; Earl Preston \$427.50; Harry Hight \$450.70; J. E. Ward \$488.35. Metaer to J. H. Gels. Bids—J. H. Gels \$344: J. E. Ward \$458.12; Harry Hight \$368.88; Earl Preston \$360; August Kothman \$400; Fiter & Hilleary \$81; J. B. Wald \$355. Custer to Harry Hight Bids—Harry Hight \$538.28; J. E. Ward \$588; J. A. Ward \$559; H. T. Burnett, \$560; Fiter & Hilleary \$445. Fullenkamp to Harry Hight. Bids—Fivelleary \$445. present Empire was sprung at the psychoosical moment, just as France had fallen before the armies of Prussia and her allied states. The guns were booming orious leaders that had swept through France; and in the flush of victory they 140

France; and in the flush of victory they wove the threads propared for them by the great Bismarck into the binding cords of an Empire.

No more dramatic place for such an event could have been selected than the famous "Hall of Mirrors" that had been built at Versailles by Louis XIV. King of France, as a memorial of France's triumphs. Two centuries after the famous the scene of Bismarck's triumph. German kings, princes and noblemen gathered on January 18, 1871, to celebrate the downfall of France the rival through the ages, and to attest the views of the master mind of Bismarck.

Much has been written about this strange scene, which was the birth of toe present German Empire. The climax of the war brought forth strong speeches of triumph and exuitation, rivaling the boom of the stege suns that were battering the defences of Paris. The only empirical properties which had surrendered. The ironles of fate held sway that historie morning. France has never forgotten; her triumph came forty years later, when she stopped the greatest army that was ever sent to battle and crushed the plans of conquest made by the grandson of the Emporer who was crowned in the Hail of Mirrors.

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The labor on the Rommel joint road east of Burkettsville awarded to G. F. Spahr at his bid of \$1,263, and the material (crushed boulders, as decided by the joint board) to the Greenville Gravel Co., at their bid of \$2.315.

The following bills were allowed last Friday and are now payable:
City of Dayton, board county prisoners.

Jesse L. Risher, 39, engineer, Rockford, on of Hiram Risher, and Florence Little, 9, cook, Reckford, daughter of George lier, Rev. Roebuck.

City of Dayton, board county prisoners. \$33 00
S. S. Scranton, fees states vs. Sellers. \$24 75
H. Behrens, ditch fees. \$36 00
B. Evers, same. \$26 00
A. Brunsewick, same. \$30 00 Superintendent of Schools J. W. Pogue goes to Sidney to-night to act as one of the judges in a contest between the Sidney and Bellefontaine high schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Weitz have moved from this city to Bryan, where Mr. Weitz will have charge of that territory for the New Idea Spreader Works, of Coldwater. Misses Anna and Ida Short, of Cleveland, are guests of their mother, Mrs. Mary Short, East Market street, and their brother, Attorney Frank V. Short and family, West Logan street.

Mrs. Vorna Kline, of Cleveland, is a guest this weke of her parents, Fire Chief and Mrs. Jacob Weber, East Livingston street.

The real estate and personal property, belonging to A. A. Metzner were sold at Chief and Mrs. Jacob Weber, East Livingston street.

Mrs. August Spicier, East Wayne street entertained last Sunday evening in honor of Miss Dorothy Pummell, who is to be wedded in April to Thomas Hart, Jr., fo Gibson township.

Our teacher friend Otto Doenges, of New Bremen, a former tried and true Democrat of Franklin township, was a Cellna visitor last Saturday.

Miss Katherine Rowe, of Sandusky, was the last Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. F.

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three children—Mary, Magdalem and Bernadins—who are attending school in this city, were not exposed and they are staying in town during the quarantine.

DORSTEN SELLS BUSINESS

Fred Miller, South Ash street, has resigned his position as efficiency man at the furniture factory, and, with his family is preparing to move to Saginaw, Miller has made many friends during his stay in this city, who will regret to learn his leavag.

The Pisgah cemetery.—Ft. Recovery Tribune-Surface and believe Tribune-Surface and bune-Journal.

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